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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

GENIUS GROUP LIMITED,

Petitioner,

-against-

LZG INTERNATIONAL, INC., MICHAEL THOMAS MOE and PETER RITZ,

Respondents.

VSTOCK TRANSFER, LLC,

Nominal Respondents.

LZG INTERNATIONAL, INC.'s SHAREHOLDERS,

Intervenor.

SHAWN CAREY, MSS CAPITAL, LLC, HUNTS ROAD, LLC, ION1 LLC, BRICKELL CAPITAL SOLO 401K TRUST, KAILEY LEWIS, EDWARD REINLE, EMANUEL VALADAKIS, and ZITAH MCMILLAN-WARD, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

MICHAEL MOE and PETER B. RITZ, LZG INTERNATIONAL, INC., ROGER HAMILTON, and GENIUS GROUP LIMITED,

Defendants.

1:24-cv-8464-MKV

SCHEDULING ORDER

1:24-cv-7551-MKV

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MARY KAY VYSKOCIL, United States District Judge:

On January 6, 2025, this Court held a joint conference in both *Genius Group Limited v. LZG International, Inc. et al*, Case No. 1:24-CV-8464 (the "Arbitration Related Action") and *Carey et al v. Moe et al*, Case No. 1:24-CV-07551 (the "Shareholder Action"). John Parker

appeared on behalf of LZG International, Inc, Michael Moe, and Peter Ritz (Defendants in the Shareholder Action and Respondents in the Arbitration Related Action), but had not yet made an appearance on either docket. [ECF No. 50]. The next day, this Court Ordered that counsel for Defendants/Respondents shall file an appearance on both case dockets on or before January 10, 2025. *Id.* And further Ordered that Respondents shall file their brief regarding the reconsideration of the preliminary injunction in the Arbitration Related Action on or before January 10, 2025. *Id.* Finally, the Court Ordered that any Reply from Intervenor, was due on or before 5:30 PM on January 13, 2025. *Id.*

As of the date of this Order, counsel for Defendants/Respondents has not made an appearance on either docket and Respondents have not filed their anticipated brief in the Arbitration Related Action. Based on representations made to the Court by counsel for Defendants/Respondents in telephone calls to chambers, counsel failed to comply with this Court's deadlines because he is awaiting his certificate of good standing from the state of Pennsylvania, which purportedly takes up to 30-days. Counsel advised that until he receives that document, he cannot complete his *pro hac vice* application and enter an appearance or file any materials on the docket. Notwithstanding that the Arbitration Related Action has been pending since November 7, 2024 and Mr. Parker's representation of Respondents appears to have begun on at least December 10, 2024, [ECF No. 26-1], counsel offers no explanation for his failure to initiate the process of his *pro hac vice* application sooner. Accordingly:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that counsel for Defendants/Respondents LZG International, Inc., Ritz, and Moe shall file an appearance on both dockets **on or before January 27, 2025**. If Mr. Parker is unable to be admitted *pro hac vice* on or before that date, counsel admitted to the

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Southern District of New York shall appear for Respondents LZG International, Inc., Ritz, and

Moe, either as substitute counsel or as local counsel for Mr. Parker.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondents LZG International, Inc., Ritz, and Moe

shall file their brief regarding the reconsideration of the preliminary injunction on or before

January 27, 2025. Any Reply from the Intervenor, addressing only newly raised issues, is due on

or before 5:30 PM on January 31, 2025.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the previously entered preliminary injunction [ECF No.

34] in the Arbitration Related Action will remain in effect until the Court receives the additional

briefing as Ordered and enters a decision on the reconsideration of the entry of the preliminary

injunction.

The Clerk of Court is respectfully requested to file this Order in both Carey et al v. Moe et

al, Case No. 1:24-CV-07551 and Genius Group Limited v. LZG International, Inc. et al, Case No.

1:24-CV-8464.

The Court will not extend these deadlines any further absent extraordinary and

unforeseen circumstances. If any of the additional anticipated briefing is not submitted in

accordance with the deadlines set in this Order it will not be considered. Continued failure

to comply with the Court's orders or comply with the FRCP, the Local Rules for the SDNY

or this Court's Individual Practice Rules, or the parties discovery or other obligations

thereunder may result in sanctions, including monetary penalties on counsel and/or the

parties, dismissal or preclusion of claims, defenses, arguments, or evidence.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 16, 2025

New York, New York

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United States District Judge